COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 7, 2000

APPLICATION OF

LIGHTBONDING.COM VA INC.

CASE NO. PUC000199

For certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services

FINAL ORDER

On August 25, 2000, LightBonding.com VA Inc.

("LightBonding" or "Applicant") completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity

("certificates") with the State Corporation Commission

("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Applicant also requested authority to price its interexchange telecommunications services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

By Order dated September 12, 2000, the Commission directed the Applicant to provide notice to the public of its application, directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and file a Staff Report, and scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence relevant to LightBonding's application. On November 1, 2000, the Staff filed its report finding that LightBonding's application was in compliance with

20 VAC 5-400-180, the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service ("Local Rules"), and 20 VAC 5-400-60, the Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers ("IXC Rules"). Based upon its review of LightBonding's application and unaudited financial statements, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant both local exchange and interexchange certificates to the Applicant subject to three conditions: (1) any customer deposits collected by LightBonding be retained in an unaffiliated third-party escrow account until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary; (2) LightBonding shall provide audited financial statements of its ultimate parent, MediaCenters.com Inc., to the Division of Economics and Finance no later than one (1) year from the effective date of LightBonding's initial tariff; and (3) at such time as voice services are initiated by the Applicant, LightBonding shall comply with all requirements of

§ C (Conditions for certification) of the Local Rules.

On September 21, 2000, LightBonding filed proof of service on all local exchange and interexchange carriers certificated in Virginia. On October 11, 2000, LightBonding filed proof of publication of notice.

A hearing was conducted on November 21, 2000. At the hearing, the application and accompanying attachments and the

Staff Report were entered into the record without objection.

LightBonding agreed to the recommendations and conditions

contained in the Staff Report.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the application and the Staff Report, the Commission finds that LightBonding's application should be granted. Having considered § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, the Commission also finds that LightBonding may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) LightBonding.com VA Inc. is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-116A, to provide interexchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the IXC Rules, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.
- (2) LightBonding.com VA Inc. is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. T-520, to provide local exchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Local Rules, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.
- (3) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, LightBonding may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

- (4) LightBonding shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications that conform with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- (5) Should LightBonding collect customer deposits, it shall establish and maintain an escrow account, held by an unaffiliated third party, to hold such funds and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this Order shall be maintained for such time as the Staff or Commission determines is necessary.
- (6) LightBonding shall provide audited financial statements of its ultimate parent, MediaCenters.com Inc., to the Division of Economics and Finance no later than one (1) year from the effective date of LightBonding's initial tariff.
- (7) At such time as voice services are initiated by the Applicant, LightBonding shall comply with all requirements of § C (Conditions for certification) of the Local Rules.
- (8) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers herein placed in the file for ended causes.